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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Critical Collection Problems
Committee

SUBJECT : Coordination Staff Report Regarding the Committee Structure of the United States Intelligence Board, 28 May 1962 (USIB-D-27.1/18, 31 May 1962)

1. Paragraph 9h of subject paper proposes a broadening of the CCPC's responsibility to permit it to deal with collection problems referred to it by the USIB, by a USIB committee or agency, or identified by the CCPC itself. At present the CCPC concerns itself with collection on certain critical problems specifically referred to it by the USIB. The CCPC is currently charged with collection problems relating to all aspects of the Soviet missile program.

2. Although recent USIB actions relative to collection efforts in Southeast Asia and Berlin are cited in subject memorandum as justification for extending the powers of CCPC, it is noted that the USIB chose to use elements other than the CCPC for the examination of collection actions in these problem areas. For example, in the case of Southeast Asia, an ad hoc committee was formed by the Board which studied the situation, recommended certain actions to the USIB, and was then dissolved. Presumably, the Board selected this approach as being appropriate to the problem at hand.

3. It would thus appear that the USIB, having available to it a number of ways to accomplish its ends, selects those it deems most suitable for the job at hand. Therefore, it seems that the USIB will utilize the CCPC when the services of that body are needed, and that this can be done by direct charge rather than by charter modification.

4. In short, the CCPC, under the terms of its present charter, is an instrument exclusively responsive to needs identified and expressed by the Board. A broadening of the Charter, as proposed in paragraph 9h, could result in the CCPC's concerning itself with problems not identified by concerted Board action, but with those brought to the fore

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by action of a single committee or a single CCPC member. If this indeed is to be the role of the CCPC, a mechanism should be devised whereby the Board would ratify an action submitted to the CCPC prior to the commencement of work on it.

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